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RE: State Certification of Federal High-Cost Support, CC Docket No. 96-45.

To the Filing Representatives:

Below is a list of carriers¹ certified by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Texas PUC) in accordance with 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 and 54.314², which established an annual state certification process for those carriers that have received eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) designation in Texas seeking high-cost support from the federal universal service fund. All carriers listed below have certified to the Texas PUC that all federal high-cost support³ provided to them will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with § 254(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act.

¹ This list includes each carrier's study code, if available, assigned by the National Exchange Carriers Association (NECA).

² See Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's) *Fourteenth Report and Order, Twenty Second Order on Reconsideration, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* in CC Docket No. 96-45, and *Report and Order* in CC Docket No. 00-256 (May 23, 2001).

³ This includes high-cost loop support, local switching support, high-cost model support, hold harmless support, and high-cost support received pursuant to the purchase of exchanges.



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TEXAS CARRIERS FILING AFFIDAVITS IN 2008

	CARRIER	STUDY AREA CODE
1	Alenco Communications, Inc	442090
2	Alltel Communications, LLC (CMRS - NR) ⁴	449034
3	AMA TechTel Communications (Rural & NR)	449020
4	Big Bend Telephone Company Inc	442039
5	Blossom Telephone Co, Inc	442038
6	Border to Border Communications, Inc	442073
7	Brazoria Telephone Company	442040
8	Brazos Telecommunications, Inc	442041
9	Brazos Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442041
10	Cameron Telephone Company	440425
11	Cap Rock Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442046
12	Caprock Cellular LP (CMRS)	449032
13	Central Texas Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442052
14	CenturyTel of Lake Dallas, Inc	442101
15	CenturyTel of Northwest Louisiana, Inc	270431
16	CenturyTel of Port Aransas, Inc	442117
17	CenturyTel of San Marcos, Inc	442140
18	CGKC&H #1 Rural Limited Partnership (dba Five Star Wireless) (CMRS Rural & NR)	449046
19	CGKC&H #2 Rural Limited Partnership (dba West Central Wireless & Right Wireless) (CMRS - NR)	449043
20	Coleman County Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442057
21	Colorado Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442059
22	Comanche County Telephone Company, Inc	442060
23	Community Telephone Company, Inc	442061
24	Consolidated Communications of Fort Bend Co (fka Fort Bend Telephone)	442072
25	Consolidated Communications of Texas Co (fka Lufkin Conroe Telephone fka TXU Telephone)	442109
26	CT Cube (CMRS - NR)	449018
27	Cumby Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442065
28	Cumby Telephone Cooperative, Inc (CLEC Rural & NR)	449004
29	Dell Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442066
30	DialToneServices, LP (DTS) (MSS - Rural & NR)	449030

⁴ Any carrier on this list not identified as a competitive local exchange carrier (CLEC), a commercial mobile radio service (CMRS) provider, or mobile satellite service (MSS) provider is an incumbent local exchange carrier. Any carrier on this list that is not identified as "non-rural" (NR) is a "rural" carrier. The designations of "rural" and "non-rural" are federal designations obtained by the carrier through a federal self-certification process and are recognized solely for the purpose of federal USF support.

31	Dobson Cellular Systems, Inc (CMRS Rural & NR)	449022
32	Eastex Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	442068
33	Electra Telephone Company	442069
34	ENMR Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442262
35	Etex Communications, LP (dba Etex Wireless) (CMRS)	449041
36	Etex Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442070
37	FEC Communications (CLEC) (Rural & NR)	449009
38	Five Area Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442071
39	Ganado Telephone Company, Inc	442076
40	GCEC Telecom (CLEC) (NR)	449012
41	Grande Communications Networks, Inc (CLEC)	449015
42	Guadalupe Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442083
43	Hill Country Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442086
44	Industry Telephone Company	442093
45	La Ward Telephone Exchange, Inc	442103
46	Lake Livingston Telephone Company	442104
47	Leaco Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc	492264
48	Lipan Telephone Company	442105
49	Livingston Telephone Company, Inc	442107
50	Mid-Plains Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442112
51	Mid-Tex Cellular, Ltd (CMRS)	449026
52	Nexus Communications, Inc (CMRS) (NR)	449038
53	Nortex Communications (fka Muenster)	442116
54	North Texas Telephone Company	442043
55	NTS Communications, Inc (CLEC) (NR)	449024
56	NTS Telephone Company LLC (dba NTS of Levelland) (CLEC) (NR)	in process
57	Panhandle Telecommunications Systems, Inc (dba PTCI)	449019
58	Panhandle Telephone Cooperative, Inc (dba PTCI)	432016
59	Peoples Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442130
60	Plateau Telecommunications, Inc (CMRS)	449037
61	Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442131
62	Riviera Telephone Co, Inc	442134
63	Sage Telecom of Texas, LP (CLEC) (NR)	449010
64	Santa Rosa Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442141
65	Santa Rosa Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (CLEC)	449006
66	South Plains Telephone Cooperative Inc	442143
67	Southwest Arkansas Telephone Cooperative, Inc	401724
68	Southwest Texas Telephone Company	442135
69	Sprint Nextel Corporation (fka Sprint Corp) (CMRS) (NR)	449017
70	Tatum Telephone Company	442150
71	Taylor Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442151
72	Texas RSA 1 Limited Partnership (dba XIT Wireless) (CMRS)	449031
73	Texas RSA 7B3, LP (dba Peoples Wireless) (CMRS)	449048

74	TerraCom (CLEC) (NR)	449045
75	Texas Windstream Inc	442153
76	United Telephone Company of Texas (dba Embarq)	442084
77	Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442159
78	Verizon Southwest (NR)	442080
79	Verizon Southwest (NR)	442154
80	VTX Telecom, LP (CLEC) (NR)	449050
81	W.T. Services, Inc (CLEC) (Rural & NR)	449001
82	West Plains Telecommunications, Inc	442071
83	West Texas Rural Telephone Coop, Inc	442166
84	Wes-Tex Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442168
85	Windstream Communications Kerrville, LLC	442097
86	Windstream Communications Southwest	441163
87	Windstream Sugar Land Inc	442147
88	WWC Texas RSA Limited Partnership (dba Alltel Communications) (CMRS) (Rural & NR)	449003
89	XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc	442170
90	XIT Telecommunications & Technology Ltd (CLEC)	449002

If there are any questions regarding this matter, please contact Liz Kayser at 512-936-7390 or Grace M. Godines at 512-936-7131 in our Competitive Markets Division.

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